

Abstract of the Disclosure

An object locating system includes a transmitter unit for activating a plurality of electronic tags to assist in locating keys, remote control devices, cordless phones, eyeglasses, articles of clothing, etc. to which the tags have been attached. The tags are self-contained, battery powered devices that signal their presence, when activated, by an audible and/or visual indication to get the attention of the user. In one embodiment for locating objects in a user's residence, a telephone interface unit responds to DTMF signals transmitted to a multi-frequency receiver over a communication link from a telephone at a location remote from or in the user's residence to produce an RF activating signal for activating a tag associated with an object to be located. The system can be used for identifying baggage, luggage, sporting equipment, and packages being dispensed from an airport baggage carousel.